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Docket No.: VASG-P03-003  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Gill et al

Confirmation No.: 4201

Application No.: 09/805,761

Group Art Unit: 1635

Filed: March 13, 2001

Examiner: Sean McGarry

For: METHOD AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
ANTISENSE VEGF OLIGONUCLEOTIDES

**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

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Sir:

This reply is being filed in response to the outstanding Office Communication mailed January 4, 2007 and in response to the Office Action mailed April 3, 2006, in connection with the above application.

**Double Patenting**

Claims 1, 4, 8, 14, and 19-21 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as allegedly being unpatentable over claims 1, 3-4, 6-7, 9-10, and 12 of U.S. Patent No. 6,291,667 in view of Bennett et al.

Solely to expedite prosecution of the application, Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer with regard to U.S. Patent No. 6,291,667, thereby rendering the rejection moot.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections. Applicants believe that the claims are now in condition for allowance and early notification to

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this effect is earnestly solicited. Any questions arising from this submission may be directed to the undersigned at (617) 951-7000.

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